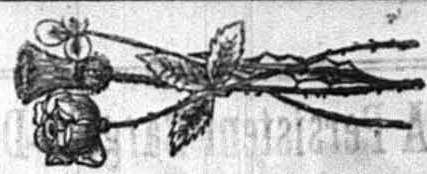


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BY TELEGRAPH.

Overthrow of the Floquet Cabinet.

REPUBLICANS DEMORALIZED.

A NEW CABINET ABOUT TO BE FORMED.

The Parnell Commission.

HALIFAX, Feb. 16.

Opportunists will overthrow the Floquet Cabinet; the Republican party are demoralized. Meline, undertakes to form a cabinet, including Floquet, Clemenceau, Rouvier and other leaders of factions.

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MONDAY, March 11—Rev. M. Ryan, D.Ph. Sub-
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CHAPTER XXIII.—(continued.)

IN THE HANDS OF A CLEVER WOMAN.

"Do you know Lord Chandos?" said Lady Marion, after a time.

"Yes, I know him, and I consider him one of the most charming men I ever met, a perfect cavalier and chivalrous gentleman."

"That is high praise," said Lady Marion thoughtfully.

"I know of none higher," said her aunt, and then with her usual tact changed the subject; but more than once that day Lady Marion thought of the man who was a cavalier and a gentleman.

Meanwhile the time passed pleasantly for the countess and her son. They were staying at the grand palace of the Falconis—once the home of princes, but now let by the year to the highest bidder. Lady Lanswell took good care that her son should be amused; every morning a delicious sketch of the day's amusement was placed before him; the countess laid herself out to please him as man had never been pleased before.

The countess saw that he received letters from England continually. She was above all vulgar intrigue, or she might have destroyed more than one half which came without his seeing them; she would not do that, the war she carried into the enemy's camp was one of the most refined and thorough-going kind. She would set aside a marriage on a mere quibble, but she would not destroy a letter. She had said openly and defiantly to her son's face, that she felt sure he would not remarry Leone in June, but she would stoop to no vulgar way to prevent it.

It often happened that the countess herself opened the letter-bag. When she did so, and there was a letter from Leone, she always gave it to her son with a smile, in which there was just a shade of contempt.

"Another letter," she would say; "my dear Lance, you contribute quite your share to the inland revenue."

She never alluded to Leone, but she did permit herself at rare intervals, to relate some ludicrous anecdotes of people who had suffered from a severe attack of love.

Lord Chandos found the time pass very pleasantly; he said to himself he might as well remain in Rome and enjoy himself, as go back to England and be miserable. Wherever he went he could not see Leone. He would not trust himself; he loved her too much, if he were in the same land, not to be near her.

Being in Rome, he did as the Romans did; he amused himself to the very utmost of his power; he seized every golden hour that passed, and though he loved Leone as much as ever, he seized to feel the keen pain which their separation had caused him at first. One morning, from the Countess of Lanswell to Lady Jane Cambrey, there passed a little note. It said, simply:

"Shall we take the first step to-night? Bring Lady Marion to the princess Galza's concert, and leave the rest to me."

Lady Cambrey lost no time. She sought her ward and said so much to her about the concert, for which they both had invitations, that Lady Marion was eager to go.

"I must superintend your toilet, Marion; as it is your first appearance in Roman Society, you must make a favorable impression."

She selected one of the loveliest toilets that could have been chosen—a white brocade, embroidered with flowers of the palest blue.

"You must wear pearls and pale-blue flowers," she said, "and you will find that to-morrow every one will be talking of the new beauty that has risen over Rome."

Lady Marion looked perfectly beautiful; she was perfect in her style, the very queen of blondes, with her soft, shining hair, and eyes blue as the summer skies. Her face was the purest mixture of rose and white, with the dainty, delicate color described in that one line—

"Crimson shell, with white sea foam."

She had a beautiful fresh mouth,

a neck and shoulders white as ivory arms so rounded and white it was a treat to see them. She was of the type—tall, with the promise of a grand womanhood; her white throat was firm, her arms rounded and strong; she was the ideal of an English gentlewoman; her pure, proud face, clear eyes and sweet lips were beautiful beyond words. When she was dressed that evening for the princess's concert she looked most charming. Lady Cambrey had said truly that among the daughters of Italy she would shine white and fair as a white dove among colored ones.

Her dress was the perfection of taste—it was trimmed with pale-blue forget-me-nots and white heath; a string of pearls was twisted in her fair hair, and another round her white throat.

"If he does not fall in love with her," said Lady Cambrey to herself, "it will be because he has no admiration left in him for any one except his dairy-maid."

Lady Lanswell had been very successful in her diplomacy. She had spoken of the concert before her son, who had received an invitation, but said nothing about his going. He listened in silence, wondering if she would ask him to go with her saying to himself that he should decline, for he did not like concert-going. Then, as she did not ask him, he began to feel piqued over it and wonder why.

After a short time he volunteered to go, and my lady took it very coolly, reminding him of how often he had grown tired of a hot concert room. Then he resolved to go and made arrangements accordingly, his mother smiled sweetly all the time. When all was settled, and he had quitted the room, my lady laughed quietly. It was wonderful with what bland sweetness and fine tact she managed men. She could lead her son as though he were deaf, blind, and dumb, yet of all men he believed himself most firm and secure in his opinion.

Heaven help the man who falls helplessly into the hands of a clever woman!

CHAPTER XXV.
THE INTRODUCTION.

If Lady Lanswell had purposely designed the meeting between her son and the beautiful blonde to have taken place in the most picturesque spot in Europe, she could not have chosen better. The great salon of the Palazzo Golza had, in former days, been used as a royal audience room; the noblest princes in Rome had met there, and had given audience to the grandest nobles. It was a superb apartment; there was a background of purple tapestry from which the blonde loveliness of the English girl shone resplendent as a snow-drop on a black ground. There were many beautiful women present; the Princess Ainala, whose dark beauty was the wonder of all who saw it; the famous American belle, Miss Sedmon, whose auburn hair resembled that given by the old masters to the Madonna; but there was not one in that vast assembly who could vie with Lady Marion.

The Countess of Lanswell, with her son, was one of the last to enter the salon; with one keen, comprehensive glance the countess took in, as it were, the whole situation; she saw the pure, proud face of Lady Erskine, saw that she was seated in the very place where her beauty was seen to the best advantage, then she took her seat, never even looking in that direction, and saying nothing to her son.

It was just like laying a trap for a bird—he fell into it with the same helplessness.

Lady Lanswell neither looked at Lady Erskine or her son, yet she knew exactly the moment when his eyes first fell on her. She saw him start; then she sat quite still, waiting for the question she knew must follow.

It came at last.

"Mother," he said, who is that beautiful girl?"

My lady looked at him with languid eyes.

"What beautiful girl, Lance? There are so many."

"An English girl, I am sure. She has a string of pearls in her hair. Who can she be?"

Still Lady Lanswell feigned ignorance. She looked on the wrong side of the room, and she affected not to understand where he meant, and when she could effect no longer, she said:

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Insurance in force about.....\$400,000,000
Policies in force about.....130,000

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Daily Colonist.

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ANNEXATION OF CANADA.

HOW SOME JOURNALISTS ARE PAID.

May a Libel be Published.

THE "COLONIST'S" CHRISTMAS NUMBER

The New York "World," has a despatch from Ottawa, dated February 7th, saying that the question of the annexation of the Dominion of Canada is steadily increasing in popular favor. It is stated on the highest authority, that upon the close of the present session of the Legislature, the government will appeal to the country on the question. It is rumored also that Sir John McDonald will retire into private life at the same time, and will be succeeded as Premier, by Sir Charles Tupper. Sir John immediately resigns his seat for Kingston, Ont.

A resolution has been introduced into the Legislative Council of Quebec, by the Hon. Mr. O'Brien abolishing that august body, and providing a basis of compensation for each member at \$10,000, or \$12,000. Legislative Councillors must be in great demand in Quebec, though they are never the kind of men who fetch fancy prices.

Journalism in the United States must be a very lucrative profession for those who draw the prizes. Charles A. Dwyer, of the "Sun" draws a regular salary \$25,000 a year, but his income is about \$150,000 a year. Joseph Pulitzer of the "World," is said to make \$2,000 a day. Whitelaw Reid has \$15,000 a year from the "Tribune," and also owns very large amounts of stock in the paper. John A. Cockerill has \$15,000 as managing editor of the "World," and Chester. A Lord who holds the same position on the "Sun," has seven thousand dollars. It is stated that there are about 50 or 60 men in New York who merely write for the press, and who make from \$50 to \$150 per week. Those are the lucky few, however, and there must be an immense wing of badly-paid writers to do the drudgery and dull work on the great American dailies.

The newspaper libel case of Venables vs. Pitt, lately tried in England, contains a judgment interesting to journalists. The North Middlesex "Chronicle" had reported a libellous speech and a suit was brought against its proprietors for £500. The principal question for the jury was thus put by the court: "Was the publication of the matter complained of for the public benefit?" The jury in return asked the judge: "Can it possibly be for the public good to publish a libel?" The court declared that the libel act of 1881 contemplated such a possibility. In the case of the commission on the Board of Works there was much said that libelled individuals. The newspapers published the libellous matter. Yet it was clear that it was for the public good. The jury found a verdict for the defendant "Chronicle."

A Boston correspondent writes us by last night's mail that the failure of Rand, Avery & Co. for \$250,000, has caused great surprise, as they were supposed to be one of the strongest publishing firms in the United States:—"This was the firm that printed and published dirty Fulton's book, 'Why Priests Should Wed.' It was a vile attack on the Catholic priesthood; so nasty was it in the treatment of the subject that the female composers, Catholic and Protestant, refused to work on it. Inside of a year from the issuing of the book they have failed for \$250,000. A bigoted rascal named Bradbury, a druggist, having a store on Washington-street, placed copies of the book in his store window for sale, having the books open at some obscene passage, or filthy illustration. Today there is a notice in the papers that Bradbury is to be tendered a complimentary concert at Music Hall. Complimentary concert for what? Charity. His store door is never darkened by the form of a patron. Bradbury stands all day long gazing out into the street, wondering why his shop is empty while others are doing a brisk business. Ignorant bigot as he is, he never realized that he is a half-century too late to make his hatred of the Catholic Church a source of income. We are one-half the city of Boston today, and it won't do for a business man to be too outspoken in his prejudice.

Your Christmas Number was excellent. It was patriotic, and that, in my eyes, is better than all others. I read with great interest your article on Public Libraries. It was very good. Oh, how I do wish St. John's had a good, free public library. How are the generations to come ever to know anything if there is not to be any more provision in the future made for them than there has been in the past? It is surprising to me that they make such a creditable showing abroad as they do. As it is, they can hold their own with people whose opportunities have been one hundred fold greater than theirs."

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

Work for the Week.

The Municipal Council met for the regular weekly meeting in their rooms at 7.30 last evening—all were present.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

A petition was presented from the inhabitants of Hayward Avenue, asking that the sanitary stables be removed beyond the town limits. Ordered to lie on the table.

Messrs. M. Bowdridge and William Pippy sent in applications for the janitorship; referred to committee.

Mr. F. J. Kenny applied for the position of sanitary plumber and inspector of pipes, &c. He set forth his experience and enclosed a certificate from Mr. Neville, showing the efficient manner in which he did a difficult piece of work in the House of Assembly. Ordered to lie on the table.

His Lordship Dr. Jones sent a note requesting that the lamp near the Springdale-street school house, be lit on Tuesday nights (in addition to Sunday night already arranged for) during the winter months. Request complied with.

Messrs. A. G. Smith, John Adrain, R. Callahan, and Gear & Co., sent notes to say that they would like to have instructions from the Council before proceeding with repairs to their sidewalks.

A committee will attend to the matter, to consist of Councillors St. John, Power, Fox and Monroe.

Petitions were received from Messrs. William Knowling and Azariah Parmiter—the former asking that a chimney of a forge near his house be raised; the latter in reference to a house which he was building outside the street line on Carter's Hill. Matter referred to next meeting.

Moved by Councillor Fox, seconded by Councillor Carnell that all pay-sheets for the week, for labor, be handed into the Council at each meeting. Carried.

In reference to the Water Company's books asked for, the Chairman stated that he had consulted with some members of the Executive, and they saw no reason why any Councillor should see the books of 1887. But the Council could not order the books to be seen prior to the first of October last, past.

Councillor Power moved for a discussion on the advisability of Mr. Harvey not proceeding to the United States to consult the engineering expert, but after some deliberation the original motion, passed at last night of meeting, was sustained; the Chairman to attend to the financial part of the business. It was also decided that Mr. O'Meara take Mr. Harvey's place in the latter's absence.

Proposed by Councillor Carnell, seconded by Councillor St. John, that Mr. Daniel Reardon be appointed to take charge of hose and act in capacity of watchman at Central Hall, at a salary of \$100 a year. (Carried.)

The following bills were passed:—COLONIST account for advertising; Clift, Wood & Co. for oats and coal; Mrs. Dicks for binding; monthly bill from three fire stations; Wm. Woodley for hay. The meeting adjourned at 9.45.

Messrs. Johnson & West's New Firm.

The new firm of Messrs. Johnson and West makes its mercantile debut, through our columns, and the COLONIST takes this early opportunity of assuring them of its hearty support and good will. Both partners of the firm are so well and favorably known to our readers that any introduction from us would be but an act of supererogation. They will commence the spring trade with a full stock, in the wholesale and provision line, to be supplemented, from time to time, to suit the requirements of the trade. Knowing the men we speak of, we predict for them a future of abundant prosperity and hope soon to see them the Rothschilds of Newfoundland.

Diphtheria in Harbor Grace.

A correspondent writing from Harbor Grace under date of 12th inst., says that in addition to the small-pox cases, diphtheria has appeared in that town. A number of persons are down with it, and one death has occurred. As our correspondent suggests, it would be well if no visitors be allowed to go to those houses in which the sickness is.

Total Abstinence Soiree.

The soiree of the T. A. & B. Society on Wednesday evening, was a brilliant success. There were about 100 couples present, and all thoroughly enjoyed themselves until an early hour in the morning. Singing succeeded dancing, and eating singing. Mr. John Grace delighted the guests with "Solomon Levi," and Mr. Slattery was also happy in a comic Irish jig. No dance could be better managed, and Mr. Goudie's catering must have pleased everyone.

LOCAL LEGISLATION.

The House of Assembly.

THURSDAY, Feb. 14, 1889.

The hon. the Speaker, having read the speech delivered by his Excellency, Mr. Carty rose and said:—In accordance with the time-honored custom of Parliament the duty devolves upon me, on the present occasion, to move for the appointment of a Select Committee of this House to draft an Address of Thanks in reply to the Speech with which his Excellency has been graciously pleased to open the present session of the Legislature. I would take this opportunity of congratulating His Excellency upon his appointment to his present high and responsible office, and from the little we know of His Excellency's official career, we are justified in expecting that his administration will be characterized by the same ability, high character and efficiency displayed in the conduct of the affairs of the colony by the late Governor, Sir Henry Arthur Blake, and that when he shall retire from the government of this colony he will leave behind a record as clean and unblemished as that of his distinguished predecessor. The Speech, it is pleasing to notice, takes a rather hopeful view of the condition of the colony. The result of our industrial operations for the past year has been, we are informed, fairly successful, the only notable exception being the seal fishery, the failure of which was mainly due to a reduction in the number of steamers employed in its prosecution and to the ice barrier which interfered with the departure of the Conception Bay fleet. Although the shore fishery was below the average, it is satisfactory to know that the Labrador fishery was better than that of last year, and it is also gratifying to find that the Bank fishery has been more extensively prosecuted and yielded a larger total result than on last year, and that this industry has gradually grown from year to year, and has now become one of the main sources of employment for our people. In fact, it is now the backbone of our fishery enterprise. Although the catch of the whole was short, it was fully compensated for by the high prices realized. The lobster fishery, though prosecuted on an extended scale, was not so profitable as in the previous year. This is owing, in a great measure, I believe, to the large quantities of lobsters shipped from Newfoundland, Nova Scotia and other places in the year 1887, and which remained in stock in Great Britain and France. Capitalists who have invested their money in this comparatively new industry are not disheartened, and from what I can learn the lobster fishery will be prosecuted during the coming year with as much vigor as ever. Even on that part of the coast, commonly called the "French Shore" a number of factories will be in operation, and it will be the duty of the government to see that the rights of our people who are interested in these factories are conserved, notwithstanding the threats made in the French Senate by the Minister of Foreign Affairs. The subject of agriculture is next referred to in His Excellency's Speech, and it is certainly pleasing to observe the marked advance which has taken place the last twelve months in the matter of clearing land. This advance is, no doubt, attributable to the legislation of last session, and the bonus this House provided has unquestionably proved a powerful incentive to our people to cultivate the soil. Last session's legislation seems to have been equally successful in giving an impulse to our ship-building industry, and the bonus offered for this purpose in stimulating this industry has necessarily afforded employment to many who otherwise would have been without work and forced to seek government aid in the form of poor relief. His Excellency alludes to the enforcement of the Bait Act. This measure, which, I may say, was all but unanimously enacted by the legislature, has, in its operation, been attended with marked success and has done very much to accomplish the objects for which it was enacted. It is, indeed, a matter of congratulation that the Placentia railway is now next to being completed, and its completion means the bringing of the old French capital, and, in fact, the whole western coast, into closer connection with St. John's. At the Barcelona Exhibition, where this colony was so ably represented by the hon. Receiver General, we were awarded some forty prizes for our exhibits, and as a result of our representation there we may easily expect that our commercial relations with other countries. Owing to the failure of the United States Senate to ratify the arrangement made at Washington last year the colony must revert to its old position and assert its rights until a satisfactory arrangement is effected. By reason of the failure of the Newfoundland Railway Company to build and operate the line to Hall's Bay, the Government have decided to take the matter in hand and to build the line. Consequently during the present session the necessary legislation to carry on the work will be introduced. I am glad that the government are determined to open up the mineral resources of the colony, and this can only be done by establishing an efficient system of railroads. The interior of the country, rich in

natural resources, is now a howling wilderness. We have the report of Mr. Murray, the late head of the Geological Department, and his able successor, Mr. James P. Howley, that large mineral deposits exist in Notre Dame Bay, and that large mineral deposits and coal deposits exist in the districts of St. George and Bay of Islands. It therefore behoves us to see that this road is immediately constructed to Hall's Bay and afterwards to the West Coast. His Excellency informs us that the subject of preservation and improvement of fishing industries will be brought under the consideration of the Legislature. The government deserve credit for taking up the matter. Although it was decided some years ago that the interest of the fishery award was to be expended in fostering the fisheries of the colony, yet, up to the present no pecuniary outlay has been made by any government to foster the main industry of Newfoundland. Our large bays have been steadily depleted by the operation of bultows which kill the mother fish; and caplin and herring seines have destroyed vast quantities of immature codfish. The establishment of a fish bureau is a step in the right direction, and I understand that an expert from Norway is now on his way to take charge of this department. It is only fair to say that those largely interested in the protection of the fishery have guaranteed to give pecuniary help to this new enterprise. An endeavor will be immediately made to re-stock our large bays by artificial means. The application of the elective principles to our local boards will, I feel sure, be hailed with satisfaction by the several constituencies, and from it might be expected important results in the way of an economical and judicious expenditure of district moneys, and consequently of many local improvements. With these few remarks I beg to propose the appointment of a committee to draft an address in reply to the Speech from the Throne.

THAT ADVERTISEMENT.

Tenders to Close in March.

(To the Editor of the Colonist.)

DEAR SIR:—A late issue of your paper contained an advertisement (copied from a Canadian contemporary) asking for tenders to the Newfoundland government for constructing a line of railway some 250 miles in length, between the present railway terminus and Hall's Bay. I learn from another Canadian paper that tenders for the above work will close on next March (18th).

I regret that some of the government newspapers have not had the courage to take up this matter and discuss it upon its merits. It seems strange that under a form of responsible government, and with a representative body invested with legislative power it should be possible to devise and mature such undertakings without their assent. Why not, it may reasonably be asked, disband the expensive machinery of a mimic parliament if its functions are to be practically set at naught, and all real work of magnitude and importance be entered upon without consulting them. If this is the marketed product of our representation, and they have no effective power in directing or controlling the management of public affairs and the future destiny of the colony, then put an end to the farce of holding annual parliaments, and save, for more useful purposes, their inordinate and worse than useless cost and pretence.

But apart from that consideration we may next ask why there should be so much trickery and dissimulation about conducting our public affairs, and why it should be considered smart and clever that men who esteem it right and proper to be truthful and sincere in their other relations, and in the private affairs of life, should, as statesmen, act directly contrary to all ordinary conceptions of these characteristics.

I suppose it is now sufficiently well-known that a trunk line of railway to Hall's Bay was designed some ten or twelve years ago, with branch lines connecting with the several bays to the north of this island. A portion of the line having been constructed by the last government, up to the time they went out of office. A branch has since been built to Placentia, and the remainder of the line still remains unconstructed. The tenders now called for are for the construction of the remainder of trunk line from its present halting place to its original terminus in the northern part of the island, though exactly where has not yet been finally determined on.

It is obvious, therefore, that the present government contemplate continuing the main line of railway as originally laid down, and that the steps at present taken are for the purpose of forestalling and preparing for the execution of that intention; the whole, of course, being contingent upon the strength of the government to carry out its views in the next (and last) session of the present legislative assembly.

Now, Mr. Editor, there is so much to be said in favor of that resolve at the present time that I am astonished, I repeat, that such newspapers as pretend to represent the government have not had the courage to come out in a frank and truthful

way, and defend the measure. The question is not, Why build the railway to Hall's Bay? but—Why not build the railway to Hall's Bay? It is difficult to imagine what answer could be given to the latter question. What answer? Can you tell, Mr. Editor, or anybody else? Can you? Can you? Can you? If not, I may, perhaps, with your leave, in a future letter consider what may be said.

Yours truly,

UNUS ET IDEM.

St. John's, Feb. 13, 1889.

[We understand the object of the advertisement is to obtain information as to cost, &c., and that no money will be voted for survey or construction, till the whole matter shall be fully ventilated and approved by parliament.—EDITOR COLONIST.]

Local Telegraphic News

TWILLINGATE, today.

Wind north, blowing strong; weather fine; place packed with slob.

FOGO, today.

Wind north; moderate breeze; coast blocked with slob.

BOHAVISTA, today.

Wind East; heavy breeze; weather cold; bay clear.

TILT COVE, today.

Wind W.N.W., blowing a strong breeze.

BAY OF ISLANDS, today.

Wind N.E., blowing a strong breeze; weather clear and frosty.

CHANNEL, today.

Wind north; moderate breeze; weather fine.

BONNE BAY, today.

Calm; weather fine and clear; bay clear till yesterday, but now packed with slob and drift ice outside.

LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

Mr. Geo. Shea will sing the latest London comic song in the Athenaeum hall on Monday evening next. It is entitled: "Eniscorthy."

The funeral of the late Captain James Taylor, will take place tomorrow, at 4 o'clock, p.m., from his late residence, No. 15, James-street, Monkstown-road.

The steamer Conscript arrived from Halifax at 8 p.m. yesterday. The following passengers arrived by her:—W. B. Grieve, A. Neilson, R. Roseboth, M. Condon; 40 in steerage.

The British Society will hold their annual soiree in their hall on the night of Thursday, the 28th inst. The "British" are proverbial for a good time, and all who attend will enjoy themselves.

The remains of Richard Parsons, the man who died of small-pox in Harbor Grace a few days since, were interred in the hospital grounds instead of the cemetery. The Board of Health thought it advisable to order this course to prevent any possibility of contagion.

In connection with the fire which broke out in Mr. Tarahin's store on Thursday morning, the names of the officers who discovered the fire so promptly should be mentioned. They were Sergeant Coughlan, and officers March and Shepherd. Were they not on their beat at the time the sleeping family over the store might not have escaped with their lives.

When we mention the names of the ladies and gentlemen who will take part in the concert in the Athenaeum Hall, on Monday evening next, it will scarcely be necessary to add that a rare musical treat is in store for those who attend. Here are the names: Mrs. Studdy, Mrs. O'Dwer, Misses Shea, Jordan, Taylor, Murphy, Harris, Messrs. Shea, Stephenson, Shea, Watson, and Lash.

A horse belonging to the Hon. J. S. Pitts, took charge of the driver while coming along Duckworth street Thursday afternoon. Near the Hill of Chips the sleigh collided with a hydrant, and was dashed to atoms. The driver was thrown over the bank on the south side of the road, but fortunately escaped unhurt, with the exception of a few scratches. The horse turned up Cochrane-street and back to his stable on King's Bridge road.

BIRTHS.

O'MARA.—This morning, the wife of John T. O'Mara, of a son.

HARVEY.—On the 15th inst., the wife of Alice Harvey of a son.

MARRIAGES.

FOLEY—MAHON.—On the 13th inst., at the R. C. Cathedral, by the Venerable Archdeacon Forristal, William Foley, to Annie, the third daughter of the late Michael Mahon.

DEATHS.

BOGGAN.—This morning, of diphtheria, Mary Francis, youngest daughter of Richard and Winifrid Boggan, aged 9 years.

WILLIAMS.—On Friday, 15th inst., of convulsions, Arthur C. F., beloved child of George and Annie Williams, aged 1 year and 2 months.

DORAN.—On the 13th inst., Thomas, aged 16 years, beloved son of Edward and Mary Doran.

DORAN.—On the 4th of November, Edward, aged 7 years and a half, beloved son of Edward and Mary Doran.

KENNY.—This morning, of worm fever, John William, only son of Patrick and Anne Kenny, aged 8 years and 9 months.